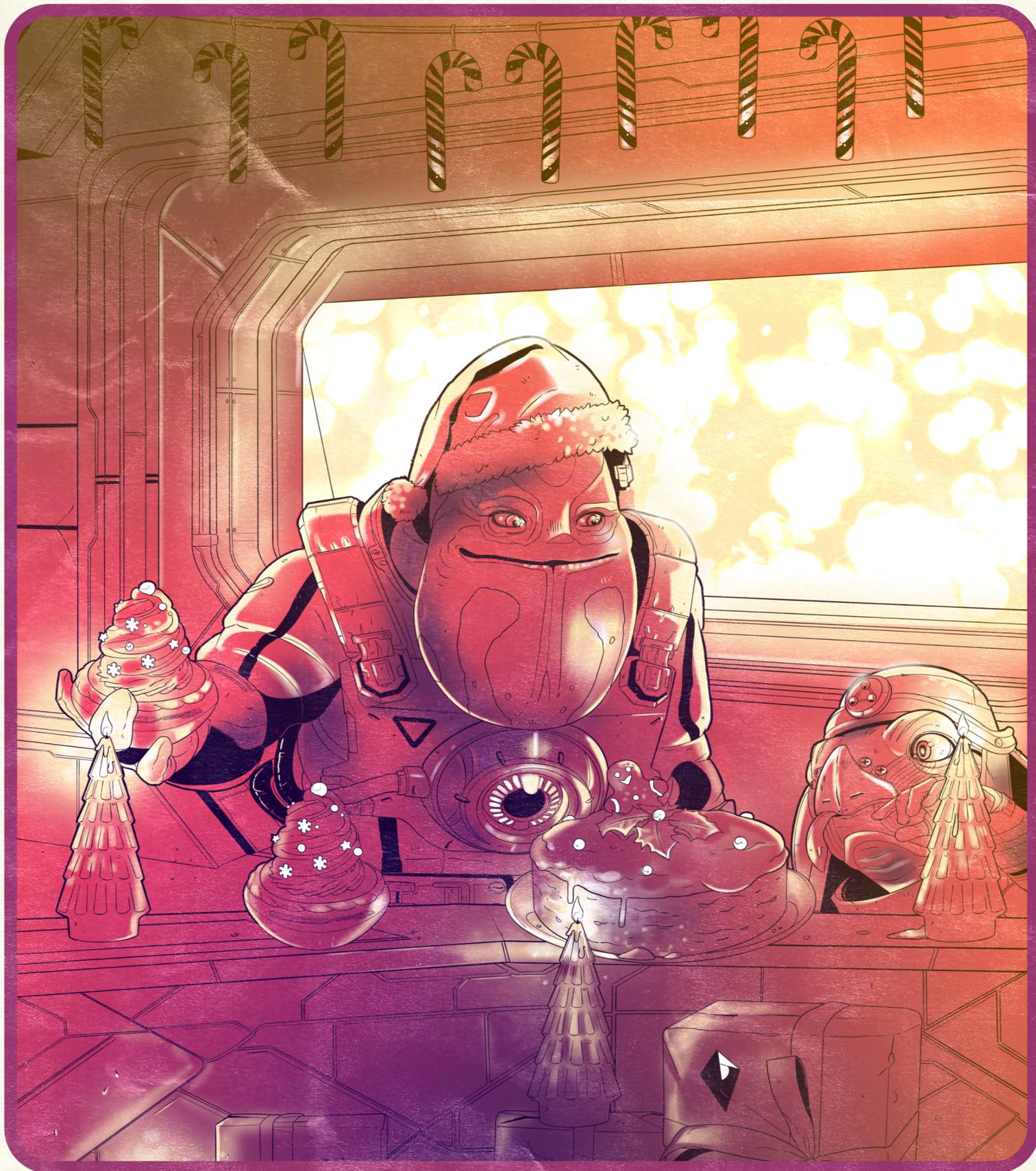


# ANOMALY

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# The Cosmos Is Feasting!

## What's On Your Plate?

The table is set

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Travellers, tune your visors to Iteration 9 of ANOMALY, where the universe smells like roasted Hexaberry's and burnt Grahberry's over a fireplace.

This time the simulation is hungry. Planets drip with caramel oceans of Liquid Sun, fungal towers sprout edible spore-cathedrals, and rogue chefs are turning Heptaploid Wheat into outlaw pastries that break Sentinel dietary laws. From the sizzling grills of Vy'keen war-feasts to Gek traders hawking suspiciously addictive "NipNip mince pies" under twinkling holiday nebulae, every system is plating up something that bites back.

Expect dispatches from Travellers who've slow-cooked a Carbon Nightmare over a lava vent, distilled festive Eggnog-9 from fermented Star Bramble in zero-G, and discover that the Atlas itself tastes faintly of cinnamon and existential dread when you lick an Interface.

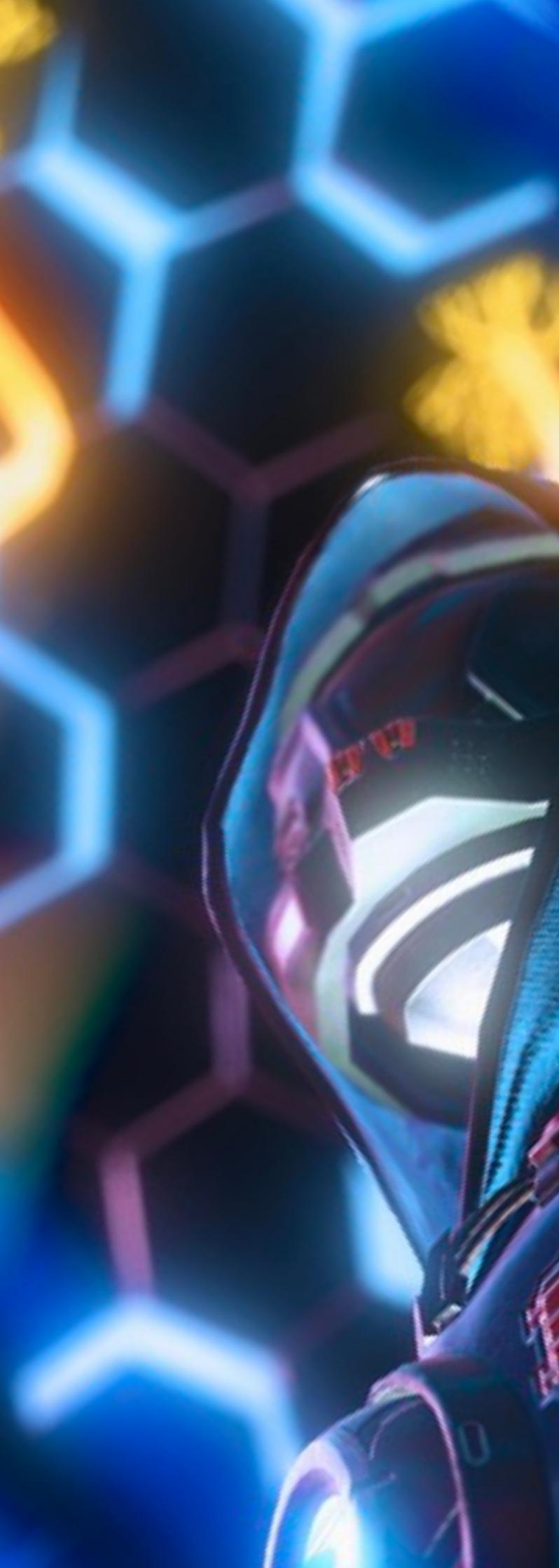
As the galaxy hangs its winter lights and the seasonal storms glitter like spilled sugar across the void, we raise a glass (or twelve) of ApolloPassion liqueur to another loop around the simulation.

The cosmos is feasting.

What's on your plate?

The table is set.

-Tom (slightly stuffed)



# Cooking On Gas



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# Redux

Winter is hurtling towards us and our favourite devs are about to go into hibernation until the new year. As is tradition, it is redux season for No Man's Sky - re-runs of this year's past expeditions like Titan, Breach, and more. These bite-sized epics let veteran interlopers claim missed cosmetics, ships, and tech for main saves, while newcomers dive into the rush with "slices" of gameplay loops available. Perfect festive fuel to tide you over the holidays - grab your Multi-tools and warp in!

## HOLIDAY EXPEDITIONS 2025



**Beachhead: 7th Nov - 18th Nov** The inhabitants of the Space Anomaly have detected something impossible: a fluctuation in history already written. A new pattern is emerging in the stories of the ancient Gek, Korvax, and Vy'keen. Something is coming: a legendary weapon that always appears whenever it is needed...



**Titan: 19th Nov - 2nd Dec** Chart a dazzling array of new stars and new worlds formed in Worlds Part II: gas giants, endless oceans and cloud-skimming mountains. Earn exclusive rewards, including a unique living ship dredged from the inky depths of a water world.



**Relics: 3rd Dec - 16th Dec** Sign up with the Galactic Palaeology Society and join the community on a journey to recreate ancient lifeforms, uncover secrets left undisturbed for millennia, and earn a complete living stone appearance override.



**Corvette: 17th Dec - 30th Dec** Your former starship has been damaged beyond repair, and the Sentinel horde is closing in. Assemble your own corvette-class starship, maximise its stats and potential, and take refuge amongst the stars! Earn an array of exclusive rewards, including the one-of-a-kind Mecha Mouse robotic companion.



**Breach: 31st Dec - 13th Jan** Traverse a desolate and abandoned universe, confronting both the awe and the horror that lurks in deep space. Follow the tale of the ill-fated Fireship Arcadia, step into zero-gravity, and scavenge modules from its wreckage to enhance your own corvette builds. Complete milestones to earn a set of ancient, powerful Atlas-themed corvette modules.



# Nominated

The simulation just got a stellar nomination boost! No Man's Sky has warped into The Game Awards 2025 with nods in **Best Ongoing Game** (facing off against Final Fantasy XIV, Fortnite, Helldivers 2, and Marvel Rivals) and **Best Community Support** (pitted against Baldur's Gate 3, Final Fantasy XIV, Fortnite, and Helldivers 2).

Travellers, it's time to rally the fleet! Rendezvous at [thegameawards.com](https://thegameawards.com), cast your votes, and let's claim those trophies for Hello Games!

# G.I.S. X ANOMALY

Presents...

*the sounds of the Simulation*

Did you miss our live DJ set with Gek Information Society last month? Whether you were stuck in a black hole of real-life responsibilities or just orbiting the wrong system, you can now replay the entire transmission whenever you want. Catch the full uncut set of 'The Sounds of the Simulation' at your own pace right here:

>> YOUTUBE <<

>> SOUNDCLLOUD <<



## LOOKING FOR MEANING?

So are we...

Check out our most 'defining' merch yet

ANOMALY STORE



# THE STAR SHUTTLE PROGRAMME

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The Engineering Corps of the United Star Navy are proud to introduce the newest class of ships to our growing fleet, the **Star Shuttle** (SS). Six massive vessels for deep space exploration have been commissioned. So far, three of them are complete and exploring United Federation of Travelers (UFT) space.

The Star Shuttle is the USN's most versatile ship class. While hyperdrive range is important, maneuverability and overall performance were given the most attention. This way the USN can begin surveying gas giants. Not only that, but to make it easier to fly around planets with harsh environments.

The Stellar Naval Vehicle class, such as the flagship S.S. *Atalanta*, are reliable for combat and some mining operations like Project Saturn, but the Star Shuttle has more scientific and exploration potential. Research stations and laboratories allow United Star Navy officers to conduct experiments and refine resources. Depending on size, some ships may include more than one crew bed for longer-duration expeditions.

Right now, the three ships completed are as follows: *Constitution* (SS-400), *Endurance* (SS-401), and *Explorer* (SS-402). Below are technical specifications and photos.



**Constitution SS-400**

**Federation Spaceship:** *Constitution* (SS-400)

**Maneuverability:** 2525.1

**Hyperdrive Range:** 1797.4 LY

**Current Assignment:** Euclid, Alliance of Galactic Travellers, UFT

*Constitution* was the first Star Shuttle commissioned and completed. After a brief shakedown operation in Galactic Hub Eissentam, her crew was assigned to Euclid to help expand the frontier of the Alliance of Galactic Travellers.



**Endurance SS-401**

**Federation Spaceship:** *Endurance* (SS-401)

**Maneuverability:** 2734.0

**Hyperdrive Range:** 1676.8 LY

**Current Assignment:** Calypso, Galactic Hub Project, UFT

Unlike the *Constitution*, the heaviest of the shuttles, the *Endurance's* maneuverability makes her the perfect choice for wormchasing in the Galactic Hub, allowing her to keep up with the ever-unpredictable Shaihuludas. The crew of *Endurance* are currently deep inside the Unbice Shallows, one of the largest regions in Galactic Hub Calypso, studying these mysterious creatures.



## Explorer SS-402

**Federation Spaceship:** *Explorer* (SS-402)

**Maneuverability:** 2279.7

**Hyperdrive Range:** 811.0 LY

**Current Assignment:** Budullangr, Alliance of Galactic Travellers, UFT

*Explorer* is the most recent member of the Star Shuttle family. Her crew has been tasked with locating a suitable planet or moon in the Budullangr Galaxy in which to establish a scientific research outpost.





THE UNOFFICIAL NO MAN'S SKY  
**CRONUS COOKBOOK**

A SAMPLE OF CULINARY DELIGHTS FROM ACROSS THE ITERATION

# CHROMATIC PANCAKES OF JOY

If your nutrient ingestor is running low after a long warp jump, refuel with a plate of Chromatic Pancakes of Joy. Infused with rainbow-hued Gelatinous Nodes harvested from the friendly fauna of Teriyeh Beta, these luminous cakes will have your spirits lifting faster than a pulse engine on overdrive. Consume responsibly - too many, and your EXOSUIT may scream "EXTREME HAPPINESS DETECTED".



**“ACROSS GALAXIES, ACROSS CYCLES, ACROSS LIFETIMES - COMFORT TASTES THE SAME.”**

- ANCIENT INSCRIPTION, ORIGIN UNKNOWN

**SERVES: 4 TRAVELLERS**

**PREP TIME: 10 NANOMINUTES**

**COOK TIME: 20 NANOMINUTES**

**ORIGIN:**  
**TERIYEH BETA**

**NUTRIENT CLASS:**  
**SWEET / PLAYFUL**

2 CUPS PROCESSED  
FLOURITE COMPOUND

½ TEASPOON ALKALINE  
STABILISER

1 CUP FERMENTED  
BEAST MILK

2 LARGE AVIAN OVA

1 TABLESPOON MELTED  
STARBUTTER

1 TEASPOON ESSENCE  
OF VANILLA POD

2 TABLESPOONS  
HYDROCARBON OIL

1 CUP MINIATURE  
GELATINOUS NODES

1 CUP OF SYRUP OF  
THE STARBORN

**[PREHEAT]** YOUR THERMAL REGULATOR TO 170°F (STANDARD ATMOS) AND PLACE A METAL RACK ON A HEAT-SAFE TRAY TO KEEP FINISHED PANCAKES WARM.

IN A MEDIUM ALLOY BOWL, COMBINE THE FLOURITE COMPOUND AND ALKALINE STABILIZER.

IN A SEPARATE VESSEL, WHISK TOGETHER THE BEAST MILK, AVIAN OVA, MELTED STARBUTTER, AND ESSENCE OF VANILLA. INTEGRATE INTO DRY MIXTURE UNTIL SMOOTH AND LUMINESCENT.

**[HEAT]** A NONSTICK PAN OVER MEDIUM PLASMA OUTPUT. USING A LIGHTLY GREASED ⅓-CUP SCOOP, DEPLOY 2-3 PANCAKES ONTO THE SURFACE. AFTER 30 SECONDS, EMBED FOUR OR FIVE MINIATURE GELATINOUS NODES INTO EACH. COOK UNTIL EDGES BEGIN TO SOLIDIFY AND SURFACE BUBBLES APPEAR - ABOUT ONE MINUTE.

**[FLIP]** CAREFULLY AND COOK AN ADDITIONAL 60-70 SECONDS, OR UNTIL BOTH SIDES GLEAM GOLDEN LIKE THE SANDS OF A RADIOACTIVE WORLD. KEEP FINISHED PANCAKES ON YOUR WARMING TRAY WHILE REPEATING WITH THE REMAINING MIXTURE.

**[SERVE]** WITH GENEROUS PORTIONS OF STARBUTTER AND A RADIANT POUR OF SYRUP OF THE STARBORN. BEST ENJOYED WHILE GAZING AT A BINARY SUNRISE OR BEFORE INITIATING YOUR NEXT WARP.

# STELLAR PARFAIT OF RAXUS PRIME

If your Nutrient Processor is offline and your sustenance meter is dipping, a Stellar Parfait is the perfect zero-cook recharge. Sweet, balanced, and luminous as a sunrise over a lush world, this simple creation layers nutrient gel and fresh biome fruits in perfect harmony.



**SERVES: 1 TRAVELLER**

**PREP TIME: 5 NANOMINUTES**

**COOK TIME: N/A - INSTANT ASSEMBLY**

**ORIGIN:**  
**RAXUS PRIME**

**NUTRIENT CLASS:**  
**RADIANT / FRESH**

6 OUNCES VANILLA  
NUTRIENT GEL

½ CUP CRYSTALLINE  
GRANOLA CLUSTERS

¼ CUP BLUE STAR  
BERRIES (OR LOCAL  
ANALOGUES)

¼ CUP RED FLORA  
SLICES (HULLED AND  
SLICED PLANETARY  
STRAWBERRIES)

1 TEASPOON GOLDEN  
HONEYDEW EXTRACT

1 SPRIG FRESH MINTLEAF  
(GROWN IN HYDROPONIC  
BAY PREFERRED)

**[DEPLOY]** HALF OF THE VANILLA GEL INTO A  
TRANSPARENT NUTRIENT VESSEL

LAYER WITH GRANOLA CLUSTERS, BLUE STAR  
BERRIES, AND RED FLORA SLICES.

**[ADD]** REMAINING GEL AND TOP WITH ANOTHER  
DUSTING OF GRANOLA.

**[DRIZZLE]** GOLDEN HONEYDEW EXTRACT ACROSS  
THE TOP SURFACE.

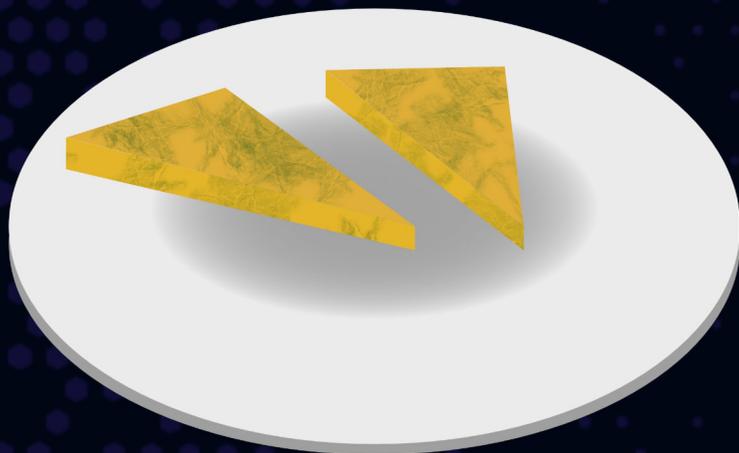
CLUSTER REMAINING BLUE STAR BERRIES IN THE  
CENTRE, ARRANGE RED FLORA SLICES AROUND THE  
PERIMETER, AND CROWN WITH MINTLEAF.

**“EVEN THE SMALLEST BERRY CAN BRIGHTEN THE  
DARKEST WARP.”**

**- VY'KEEN WARRIOR MORVAK-TUL**

# SOLAR FRITTATA OF VERDANT WORLDS

When a traveler's diet leans too heavily on nutrient paste and dehydrated carbon snacks, it's time to recalibrate with something green. The Solar Frittata blends hearty planetary produce with luminous energy from local star radiation (or just your oven). Packed with protein and flora balance, this dish keeps explorers sharp during long journeys across systems.



“IF THE MEAL DOESN'T GLOW, IS IT EVEN WORTH THE EFFORT?”

- GEK CHEF MAFFA-PU, LUSH WORLD CONSORTIUM

**SERVES: 6 TRAVELLERS**

**PREP TIME: 5 NANOMINUTES**

**COOK TIME: 32 NANOMINUTES**

**ORIGIN:**

**XYLOR VIII**

**NUTRIENT CLASS:**

**LUMINOUS /SAVOURY**

8 LARGE AVIAN OVA

⅓ CUP HALF-AND-HALF  
PROTO CREAM

½ TEASPOON PURIFIED  
SODIUM CRYSTALS

¼ TEASPOON GROUND  
BLACK DUST (OR PEPPER  
ANALOG)

⅛ TEASPOON NUTMEG  
SPORE POWDER

1½ CUPS SHREDDED  
STARCHEDDAR

1 TABLESPOON  
UNSALTED STARBUTTER

½ MEDIUM SOLAR ONION,  
FINELY DICED

4 OUNCES FRESH  
SPINLEAF FLORA

**[PREHEAT]** YOUR THERMAL REGULATOR TO 350°F (STANDARD ATMOS).

**[COMBINE]** AVIAN OVA, PROTO CREAM, SODIUM CRYSTALS, BLACK DUST, AND NUTMEG SPORES IN A LARGE ALLOY MIXING VESSEL. WHISK UNTIL HARMONISED. INTEGRATE 1 CUP OF STARCHEDDAR AND SET ASIDE.

**[ACTIVATE]** A 10-INCH CARBON SKILLET OVER MEDIUM PLASMA OUTPUT AND DEPLOY STARBUTTER. ONCE MELTED AND FOAMING, INTRODUCE SOLAR ONION AND COOK UNTIL TRANSLUCENT. ADD SPINLEAF FLORA AND STIR UNTIL WILTED.

DISTRIBUTE VEGETABLES EVENLY ACROSS THE SKILLET BASE. POUR IN THE EGG MIXTURE AND GENTLY TILT TO ENSURE EVEN COATING. ALLOW TO COOK 2 MINUTES WITHOUT DISTURBANCE.

**[TRANSFER]** SKILLET TO THE THERMAL REGULATOR. BAKE 18–22 NANOMINUTES, OR UNTIL CENTER STABILISES.

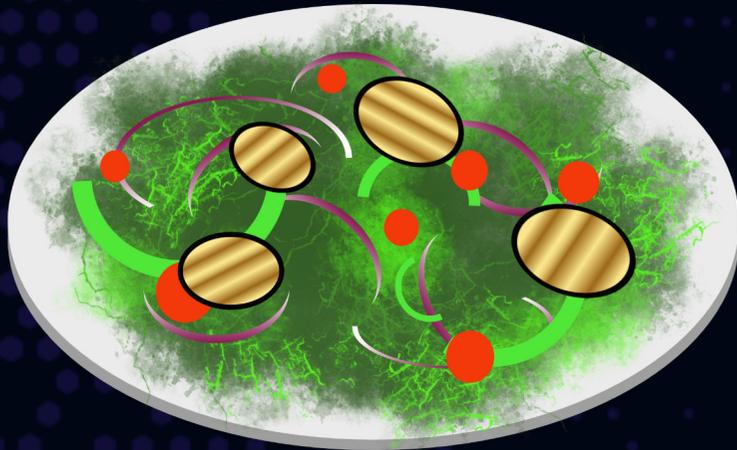
REMOVE FROM HEAT AND INITIATE BROIL MODE: HIGH.

SPRINKLE REMAINING STARCHEDDAR ATOP THE FRITTATA AND BROIL 2–4 NANOMINUTES, UNTIL SURFACE ACHIEVES GOLDEN GLOW REMINISCE

**[SLICE]** INTO SIX SEGMENTS. SERVE ONE PORTION PER TRAVELER. OPTIMAL CONSUMPTION TEMPERATURE: HOT OR AMBIENT SHIPBOARD CONDITIONS.

# HARVEST CYCLE GREENS

A crisp, nutrient-dense salad harvested during the temperate phase of a planet's orbital cycle, when diurnal temperatures drop. Ideal for Travellers who have just scanned a new flora species and need quick sustenance before the next warp jump. Prepare the base components up to 1 solar day in advance; store in a refrigerated Exocraft cargo pod. Best enjoyed in the company of companions, bipedal or otherwise.



“WE CATALOGUE STARS, FLORA, FAUNA - BUT THE MOST VITAL DISCOVERIES ARE THE FLAVOURS BETWEEN.”

— EXPLORER SELENE OF THE OUTER RIMS

**SERVES: 4 TRAVELLERS**

**PREP TIME: 20 NANOMINUTES**

**COOK TIME: 4 NANOMINUTES**

**ORIGIN:**  
**NAPRIXNESU**

**NUTRIENT CLASS:**  
**VITAL / EARTHY**

1 SMALL AUBERGINE  
ROOT

1 MEDIUM HEAD ROMAINE  
FROND CLUSTER

½ MEDIUM HEAD CRYO-  
ICE LEAF

1 MEDIUM EMERALD BELL  
POD

½ MEDIUM CRIMSON  
SENTINEL ONION

1 PINT STARBRITE  
CHERRY ORBS

¼ CUP REFINED DI-  
HYDROGEN OIL (EXTRA-  
VIRGIN GRADE)

2 TABLESPOONS  
FERMENTED CARBONIC  
VINEGAR (BALSAMIC  
ANALOGUE)

1 TABLESPOON VY'KEEN  
MUSTARD CATALYST

1 TABLESPOON LIQUID  
SUN HONEY (AMBER  
DISTILLATE)

¼ TABLESPOON PURIFIED  
SODIUM CRYSTALS

¼ TABLESPOON GROUND  
BLACK DUST (OR PEPPER  
ANALOG)

**[TRIM]** AND CHOP THE ROMAINE FROND CLUSTER, CRYO-ICE LEAF, THICKLY SLICE THE AUBERGINE ROOT. CORE AND DESEED THE EMERALD BELL POD, PEEL THE CRIMSON SENTINEL ONION, SLICE BOTH INTO THING RINGS. HALF THE STARBRITE CHERRY ORBS

**[POWER]** A PORTABLE EXOCRAFT GRILL TO MEDIUM HEAT. APPLY A MICRO-SPRAY OF NON-STICK NANITE COATING. GRILL AUBERGINE ROOT SLICES 2 MINUTES PER SIDE UNTIL SURFACE SHOWS CARBON SCORING AND TEXTURE SOFTENS. TRANSFER TO A COOLING RACK MODULE; ALLOW RESIDUAL HEAT TO DISSIPATE.

**[COMBINE]** CHOPPED ROMAINE FROND CLUSTER, CRYO-ICE LEAF, COOLED AUBERGINE ROOT, EMERALD BELL POD RINGS, CRIMSON SENTINEL ONION, AND STARBRITE CHERRY ORBS IN A LARGE NUTRIENT BOWL.

**[WHISK]** TOGETHER REFINED DI-HYDROGEN OIL, FERMENTED CARBONIC VINEGAR, KORVAX MUSTARD CATALYST, LIQUID SUN HONEY, PURIFIED SODIUM CRYSTALS, AND GROUND BLACK DUST IN A SMALL MIXING VIAL UNTIL FULLY EMULSIFIED.

**[TOSS]** USING MULTI-TOOL SALAD FORKS (OR BARE EXOSUIT GAUNTLETS) AT THE MOMENT OF CONSUMPTION, INTRODUCE DRESSING TO THE FLORA MATRIX. SERVE IMMEDIATELY UNDER OPEN STARLIGHT FOR OPTIMAL FLAVOUR RESONANCE.

# CHLOROPHYLL- WRAPPED NUTRIENT ROLL

A portable, high-density vegetarian fuel packet - perfect for Travellers who need sustained energy between portal jumps. Warning: travellers run the risk of a Herbivore Overload debuff from excessive consumption of this recipe. Guaranteed to keep hunger at bay until the next planetary sunset.



“TASTE IS THE ONLY EXPLORER THAT NEVER FEARS THE UNKNOWN.”

- GEK MERCHANT SAYING

**SERVES: 4 TRAVELLERS**

**PREP TIME: 15 NANOMINUTES**

**COOK TIME: 10 NANOMINUTES**

## ORIGIN:

EGBATJ MARGIN

## NUTRIENT CLASS:

HERBAL /  
SUSTAINING

½ CUP PYRO-CORN  
KERNELS

1 MEDIUM, "ROMA  
PLASMA TOMATO

2 TBSP MINCED SENTINEL  
ONION

1 TBSP FRESH  
CHLOROPHYLL SPRIGS

1 TSP CONCENTRATED  
LIME EXTRACT

⅛ TSP PURIFIED SODIUM  
CRYSTALS

LARGE SPINACH-FROND  
WRAPS (LARGE  
CHLOROPHYLL SHEETS)

1 CUP FERMENTED  
REFRIED CARBON BEANS

1 CUP COOKED  
STARDUST RICE

½ CUP MASHED VOID  
AVOCADO

**[COMBINE]** PYRO-CORN KERNELS, ROMA PLASMA TOMATO, MINCED SENTINEL ONION, FRESH CHLOROPHYLL SPRIGS, CONCENTRATED LIME EXTRACT, AND PURIFIED SODIUM CRYSTALS IN A SMALL MIXING VIAL. SET ASIDE TO MARINATE.

**[POWER]** NUTRIENT PROCESSOR TO MEDIUM HEAT. PLACE ONE SPINACH-FROND WRAP ON THE HOT SURFACE; WARM 20 SECONDS PER SIDE UNTIL PLIABLE BUT NOT SCORCHED. TRANSFER TO A STERILE PLATING SURFACE AND COVER WITH A MOISTURE-RETAINING TOWEL WHILE WARMING REMAINING WRAPS.

**[TRANSFER]** FERMENTED CARBON BEANS TO A MICROWAVE-SAFE NUTRIENT POD. HEAT ON HIGH FOR 30 SECONDS, STIR, THEN HEAT ANOTHER 20 NANOSECONDS. STIR THOROUGHLY; SET ASIDE.

**[COOK]** THE STARDUST RICE UNTIL FLUFFY.

**[ASSEMBLE]** NUTRIENT ROLL. FOR EACH WRAP: SPREAD ¼ CUP FERMENTED CARBON BEANS IN A CENTRAL BAND. LAYER ¼ OF THE STARDUST RICE, 2 TBSP MASHED VOID AVOCADO, AND 2-3 TBSP SALSA MATRIX. FOLD BOTTOM OF WRAP UP OVER FILLING, FOLD IN SIDES, THEN ROLL TIGHTLY FROM THE BOTTOM. SERVE IMMEDIATELY.

# NOMAD'S FUSION BROTH

One of the finest meals to synthesise around a Portable Signal Fire. This dish keeps your hazard shielding topped off and you warm inside your Exosuit all night long. Bring an extra Nutrient Bowl to Greni Falls Outpost on Thalassean's third moon - share with the local bipedal fauna, they're pretty lonely out there by themselves.



“COOKING IS SIMPLY ALCHEMY WITHOUT THE EXPLOSIONS.”

- KORVAX ARTISAN UNIT 4-KV14

SERVES: 4 TRAVELLERS

PREP TIME: 20 NANOMINUTES

COOK TIME: 45 NANOMINUTES

## ORIGIN:

THALASSEAN

## NUTRIENT CLASS:

BROTHY /  
ENERGISING

1 LB GROUND HEXA-BEAST PROTEIN

1 MEDIUM PALE SENTINEL ONION

1 LARGE, RUSSET ASTEROID SPUD

1 CUP BABY GAMMA CARROTS

1 CLOVE, PUNGENT GEK GARLIC

1 (14-OZ) CAN DICED PLASMA TOMATOES

3 CUP CONCENTRATED FAUNA BROTH (BEEF ANALOGUE)

1 (14-OZ) CAN CUT EMERALD BEANS

1 CUP CRYO-KERNEL CORN (WHOLE-KERNEL, THAWED)

½ TSP PURIFIED SODIUM CRYSTALS

½ TSP GROUND BLACK DUST (OR PEPPER ANALOG)

**[PREPARE]** THE VEGETABLES - PEEL AND CHOP THE PALE SENTINEL ONION, PEEL AND DICE THE RUSSET ASTEROID SPUD, HALVE THE BABY GAMMA CARROTS, PEEL AND MINCE THE PUNGENT GEK GARLIC. DRAIN THE TINS OF DICED PLASMAS TOMATOES AND CUT EMERALD BEANS

**[DEPLOY]** A LARGE CAULDRON OVER MEDIUM-HIGH HEAT. ADD GROUND HEXA-BEAST PROTEIN. COOK, CRUMBLING INTO CHUNKS, UNTIL BROWNED AND FULLY RENDERED, AROUND 10 NANOMINUTES. DRAIN EXCESS LIPID RESIDUE AND RETURN CAULDRON TO HEAT.

**[ADD]** PALE SENTINEL ONION; SAUTÉ UNTIL JUST TENDER, AROUND 5 NANOMINUTES.

INTRODUCE RUSSET ASTEROID SPUD, BABY GAMMA CARROTS, PUNGENT GEK GARLIC, DICED PLASMA TOMATOES, AND CONCENTRATED FAUNA BROTH.

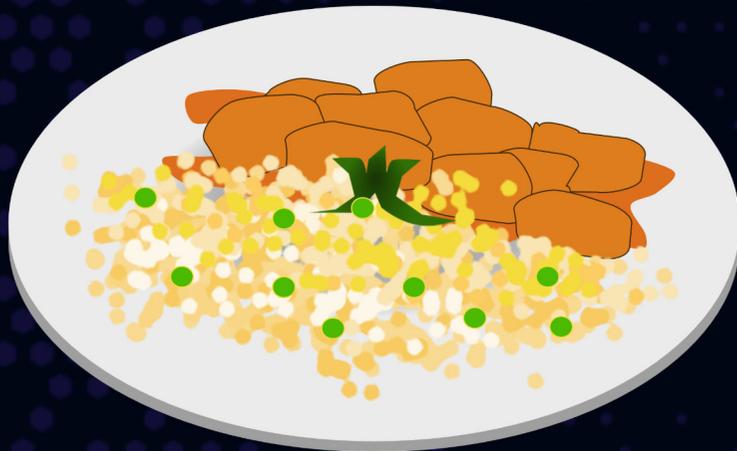
STIR WELL, RAISE HEAT TO HIGH, AND BRING TO A ROLLING THERMAL BOIL. ONCE BOILING, REDUCE TO MEDIUM-LOW AND SIMMER 15-20 NANOMINUTES UNTIL SPUDS AND CARROTS REACH TENDER STATE.

**[STIR]** IN CUT EMERALD BEANS, CRYO-KERNEL CORN, PURIFIED SODIUM CRYSTALS, AND GROUND BLACK DUST.

LET SIMMER 10 NANOMINUTES UNTIL CORN AND BEANS ARE FULLY RECONSTITUTED. SERVE SCALDING HOT - HAZARD SHIELDING RECOMMENDED.

# ATLAS BUTTER AVIAN

A must-try for all galactic foodies scanning new star systems. This avian dish is packed with quantum flavour, thanks to the marinade that coats the protein lattice. Your Vy'keen dinner guests will be convinced you just ordered this from Zoomers Freight Delivery via the Space Anomaly.



“SPICE THE STARS, ONE CUBE AT A TIME.”

- TRAVELER MOTTO, ETCHED ON THE ANOMALY’S MESS HALL WALL

**SERVES: 4 TRAVELLERS**

**PREP TIME: 1 NANO-HOUR, 20 NANOMINUTES**

**COOK TIME: 22 NANOMINUTES**

**ORIGIN:**  
**TERGIVERSE IV**

**NUTRIENT CLASS:**  
**GOLDEN / SAVORY**

1 LB BONELESS,  
SKINLESS AVIAN BREAST

1 TSP GARAM NEBULA  
SPICE BLEND

¼ CUP PLAIN KORVAX  
YOGURT (GREEK STRAIN)

2 TBSP REFINED LIPID  
BUTTER (SALTED)

1 MEDIUM PALE SENTINEL  
ONION

1 CLOVE PUNGENT GEK  
GARLIC

½ TSP GROUND CUMIN  
DUST

1 (12-OZ) JAR BUTTER  
AVIAN SIMMER SAUCE

½ CUP HEAVY PROTO  
CREAM

2 CUPS STARDUST RICE  
(WHITE VARIANT)

½ CUP FROZEN VOID  
PEAS (THAWED)

¼ CUP FRESH THARAXIAN  
PARSLEY FRONDS

**[PREPARE]** THE MEAT AND VEGETABLES. CUT THE AVIAN MEAT INTO 1” CUBES. PEEL AND DICE THE PALE SENTINEL ONION, MINCE THE GEK GARLIC, CHOP THE THARAXIAN PARSLEY FRONDS.

**[ADD]** AVIAN BREAST CUBES AND GARAM NEBULA SPICE BLEND INTO A MIXING BOWL. TOSS TO COAT, THEN STIR IN KORVAX YOGURT UNTIL FULLY ENCASED. COVER AND REFRIGERATE FOR 1 NANO-HOUR.

**[DEPLOY]** A DUTCH OVEN MODULE OR DEEP SKILLET WITH LID OVER MEDIUM HEAT. ADD REFINED LIPID BUTTER. ONCE MELTED AND FOAMING, INTRODUCE MARINATED AVIAN BREAST. COOK UNTIL JUST RENDERED THROUGH, 3 NANOMINUTES PER SIDE.

**[ADD]** PALE SENTINEL ONION; SAUTÉ UNTIL TENDER, 5 NANOMINUTES. STIR IN PUNGENT GEK GARLIC AND GROUND CUMIN DUST; COOK UNTIL FRAGRANCE PEAKS, 1 NANOMINUTE.

**[STIR]** IN BUTTER AVIAN SIMMER SAUCE. BRING TO A GENTLE THERMAL SIMMER, STIRRING CONSTANTLY, AND COOK 10 NANOMINUTES. POWER DOWN HEAT SOURCE; FOLD IN HEAVY PROTO CREAM. COOK THE STARDUST RICE, ONCE HOT AND FLUFFY COMBINE WITH VOID PEAS.

**[SERVE]** THE ATLAS BUTTER AVIAN ALONGSIDE RICE-PEA MATRIX, GARNISHED WITH CHOPPED FRESH THARAXIAN PARSLEY FRONDS. OPTIMAL UNDER NEBULA GLOW.

# EUCLIDIAN BUTTERNUT GNOCCHI

When you want pillow-soft gnocchi bathed in velvet butternut nectar that feels like a royal banquet on a ringed paradise world - yet simple enough for a Monday pit-stop in the Euclid fringes - this is your **WITZIRNE** dish, as the Gek say. Even Sentinels running the rare "Foodie" protocol have been observed requesting additional servings.



“FLOAT THE GNOCCHI, RULE THE GALAXY.”

- ANONYMOUS GEK FIRST SPAWN CHEF, BALARON

**SERVES: 4 TRAVELLERS**

**PREP TIME: 1 NANO-HOUR, 20 NANOMINUTES**

**COOK TIME: 22 NANOMINUTES**

## ORIGIN:

**KAWAW MAJOR**

## NUTRIENT CLASS:

**SOFT / COMFORTING**

8 OZ BUTTERNUT ORB

1 TBSP PURIFIED SODIUM CRYSTALS

2 TBSP REFINED LIPID BUTTER (SALTED)

1 LARGE SHALLOT ROOT

2 CLOVES PUNGENT GEK GARLIC

½ TSP REFINED OCEAN SALT

½ TSP GROUND BLACK DUST (OR PEPPER ANALOG)

½ CUP PROTO CREAM

1 16-OZ PACKAGE FRESH POTATO-STARCH GNOCCHI

4 LEAVES FRESH SAGE FRONDS

¼ CUP FRESH GRATED PARMESAN CURDS

**[DICE]** THE BUTTERNUT ORB, PEEL AND MINCE THE SHALLOT ROOT AND PUNGENT GEK GARLIC. CHOP THE FRESH SAGE FRONDS.

**[PURÉE]** THE DICED BUTTERNUT ORB IN A FOOD PROCESSOR MODULE, PULSE UNTIL SMOOTH. TRANSFER TO A HOLDING VIAL AND SET ASIDE

**[DEPLOY]** A LARGE CAULDRON WITH 8 CUPS OF WATER AND ADD PURIFIED SODIUM CRYSTALS. POWER TO HIGH HEAT UNTIL ROLLING BOIL IS ACHIEVED.

**[DEPLOY]** A LARGE SKILLET OVER MEDIUM HEAT. ADD REFINED LIPID BUTTER. ONCE FOAMING, INTRODUCE SHALLOT ROOT AND PUNGENT GEK GARLIC. SAUTÉ UNTIL TENDER AND FRAGRANT.

**[FOLD]** IN PURÉED BUTTERNUT ORB, REFINED OCEAN SALT, AND GROUND BLACK DUST. STIR UNTIL MIXTURE BEGINS TO BUBBLE. REDUCE HEAT TO MEDIUM-LOW, SWIRL IN HEAVY PROTO CREAM, AND KEEP WARM.

**[RELEASE]** THE POTATO-STARCH GNOCCHI INTO THE CAULDRON. COOK UNTIL UNITS FLOAT TO SURFACE AND ARE FULLY HEATED. EXTRACT WITH A SLOTTED TRANSFER UTENSIL AND DROP DIRECTLY INTO THE BUTTERNUT SAUCE. TOSS GENTLY TO COAT EVERY NODE.

**[SCATTER]** CHOPPED SAGE FRONDS AND GRATED PARMESAN CURDS ACROSS THE SURFACE. SERVE IMMEDIATELY UNDER A TRI-STAR SYSTEM'S SOLAR NOON FOR AESTHETIC BUFF.

# With Ray Reynolds

It's impossible to think about the No Man's Sky community without Ray Reynolds coming straight to mind. A visionary VP and artist with boundless creativity, Ray has left an indelible mark on the universe we all love. He's renowned for his jaw-dropping base and corvette builds that turn the game's procedural wonders into breathtaking works of art.

Fuelled by an infectious enthusiasm for exploration and storytelling (and a healthy dose of Irish craic), Ray inspires travellers everywhere to push the frontiers of imagination. We're massive fans of his work, so we were delighted when he kindly took the time to answer some of our burning questions.



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**A:** Ray, its an absolute pleasure to get a little bit of your time. I feel like everybody knows who you are, but in case they don't, would you mind telling us a little bit about yourself?

**RR:** Hiya. Thanks for having me, I'm Ray, I'm a part time photographer and writer from Ireland and a full time Interloper.

**A:** Starting from the beginning, how did you first discover No Man's Sky, and what was the moment which turned you into such a dedicated fan?

**RR:** I first heard about NMS pretty much the same as everyone else at E3 (RIP) 2015 and I was hooked, I mean day one this was the game I ALWAYS wanted, I used to make myself a cardboard spaceship dash as a kid and pretend I was jetting off into space, this game made those childhood adventures more tangible so I was in love from the go.

**A:** Your virtual photography in No Man's Sky captures stunning vistas and moments. What's your process for scouting the perfect shot - do you hunt for specific planets, tweak in-game settings, or chase a particular mood - and what's one photo you're especially proud of?

**RR:** Honestly the game does all the hard work. I suppose that's a bit of a cop but it really does. I think the real secret to anything in the visual creative space is numbers, keep shooting, keep Creating, keep sharing and refining what YOU enjoy and that's all that matters I feel. For every GREAT shot there's probably 100+ poorer shots that led to it. Give yourself a break, take your time and create something YOU love. That's all it is really and thankfully, NMS has Endless opportunities to do just that.





**A:** What's a favourite trick or technique you've developed for getting that perfect NMS photo, whether it's timing, lighting, or using in-game tools?

**RR:** TIMING, TIMING, TIMING. Its always down to timing for me. Being a mostly console player I practiced getting VERY quick at entering photomode, but since playing NMS on PC (Thank you **Griff**) you can keybind to activate photomode instantly and capture some Incredible blink and you'll miss it moments.

“I used to make myself a cardboard spaceship dash as a kid and pretend I was jetting off into space”

**A:** We've also seen so many incredible base builds and, most recently, ship builds from you. Do you have one that one of those that you are particularly fond of, and what was the inspiration behind it?

**RR::** Oh my there's been so many. I've actually built over 100 Corvettes since they came out and I don't know if I could pick my favourite, probably one of the meme ships though knowing me. As for base Building, It's hard not to love the simplicity of the Wizards rest but for sheer size and scale I'll always love my Bazaar and River Ruins.

**A:** Speaking of inspiration, yours is seemingly bottomless. What fuels your creativity - where are you getting it all from - and how do you tap into it?

**RR:** Honesty, and this is going to sound like an awful humble brag but I just don't know but This game just brings something out in me. I guess there's no better inspiration than wanting to make your friends say WOAHH.



**A:** Some inside the community affectionately refer to you as "Sean's favourite son" because of your passionate presence. How does it feel for your work to be so deservedly celebrated amongst fans, and what's it like knowing your contributions often catch Hello Games' eye?

**RR:** Hahaha I don't know how I feel about that considering Sean has ACTUAL children but I'll take favourite nephew. I do have to admit though I quiet enjoy being a part of a community that people can turn to, it's always nice to be nice and admittedly the NMS Community make it VERY easy being such a good group, there's really no shortage of talent, caring and comradary in our little corner of the galaxy, we're quite lucky.

**A:** The game has massively evolved since 2016. Which update - whether it's new biomes, multiplayer, or expeditions - has had the biggest impact on your NMS experience, and why?

**RR:** Oh good question. Probably Atlas Rises, just the lead up of the ARG, the hype, the community losing its absolute mind thinking everything was a clue. I'll never forget that trailer reveal in the discord chat, you can still hear me squealing in the background of that video haha.

**A:** What's the one dream feature you've been waiting to be added?

**RR:** I'd love a rolling replay of the expeditions to be accessible all year round so new and old players can have access to things they may have missed.

**A:** Finally, If you had the chance to tell Hello Games what No Man's Sky and its community has meant to a passionate player and creator like yourself, what would you say?

**RR:** Simply, Thank you. Theres honestly not enough words to express what it means to me. There's not been many times in my life where I was sure I was exactly where I was meant to be, but since 2016 I've known I'm meant to be a NMS player and I always will be. See you out there Interlopers.

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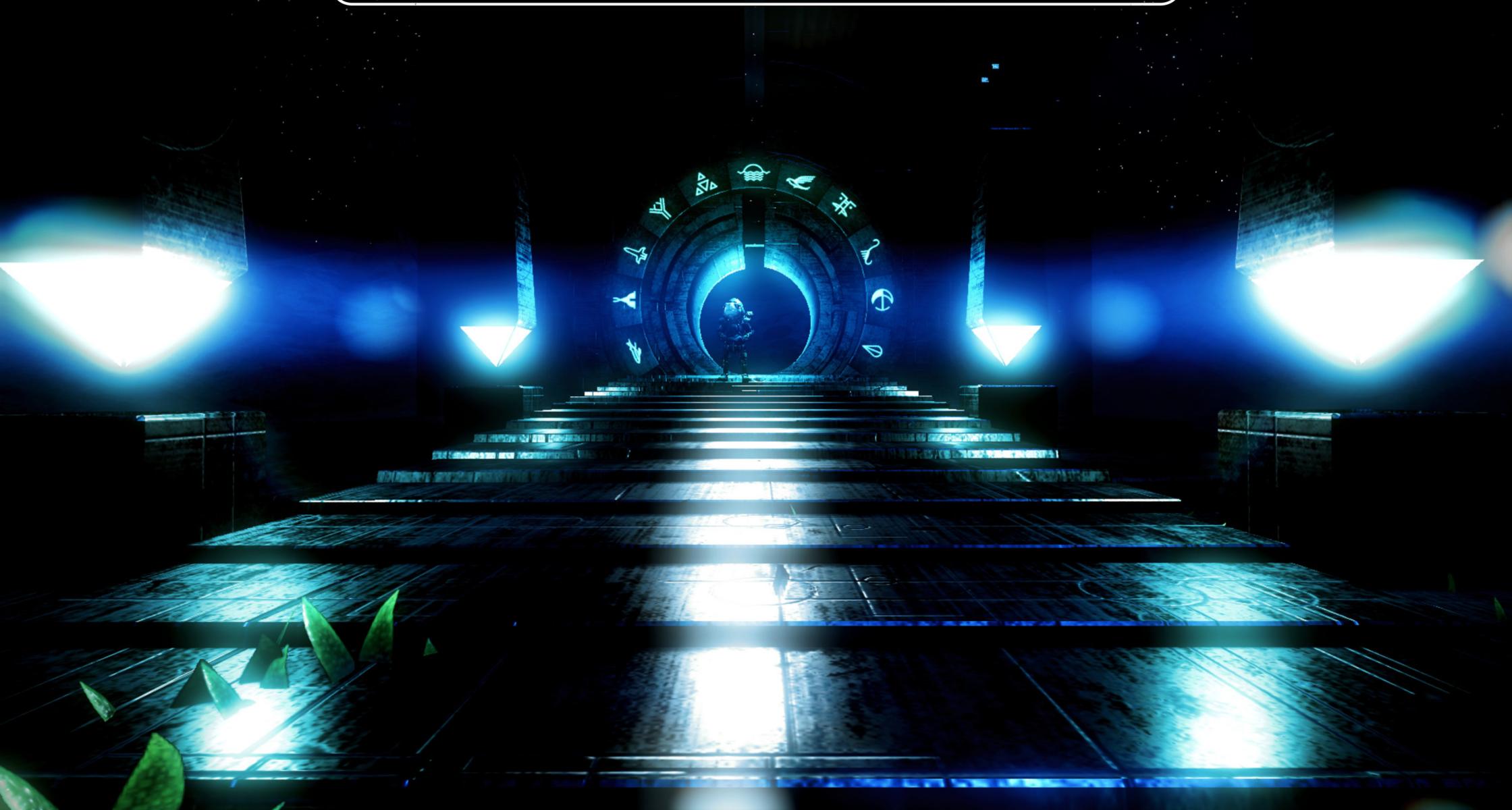


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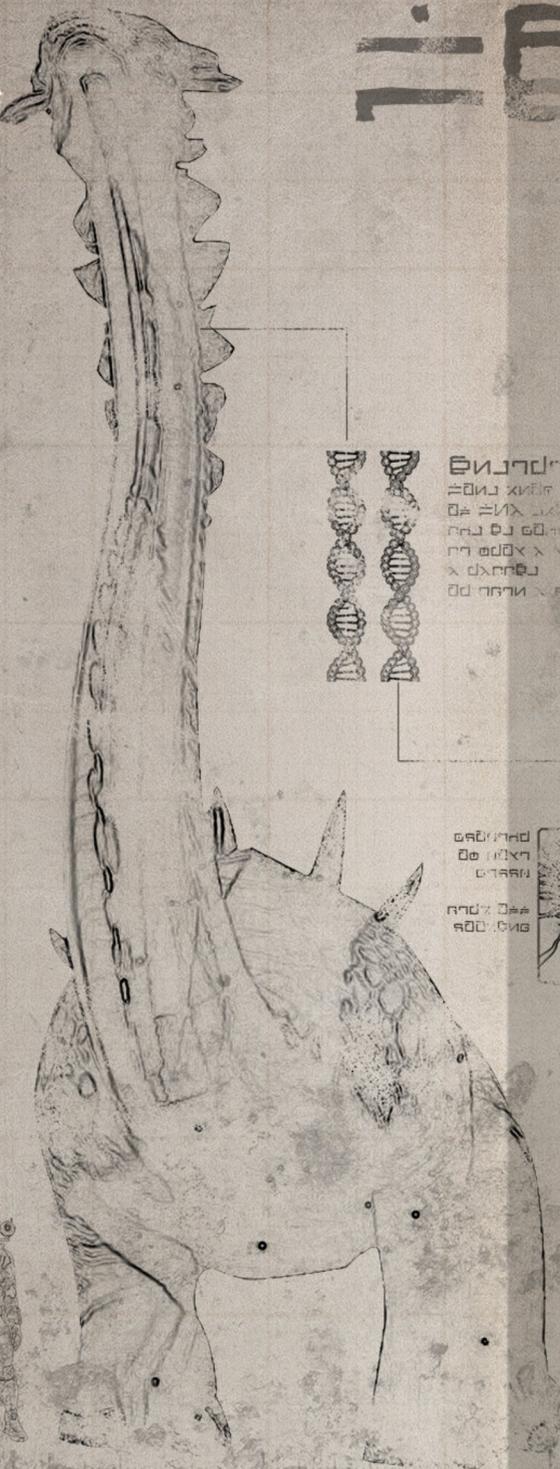
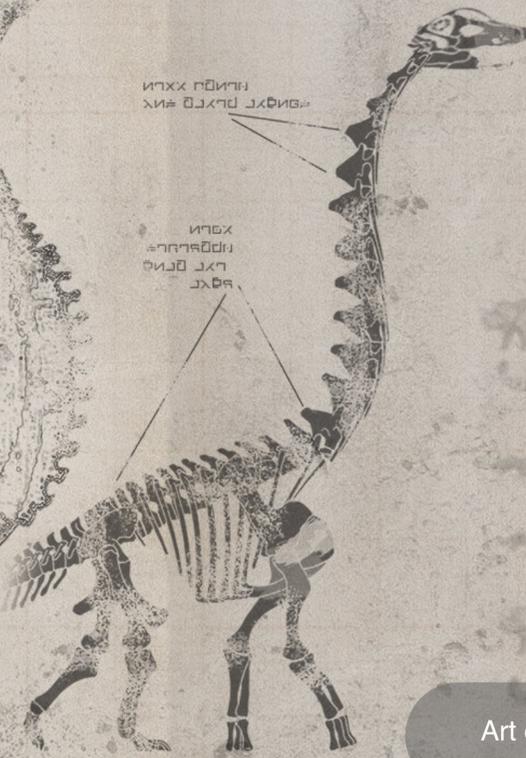
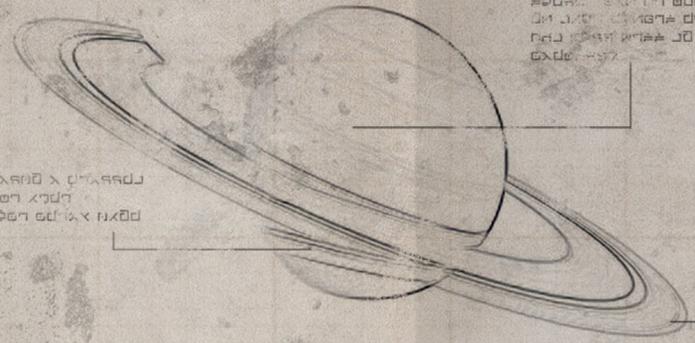
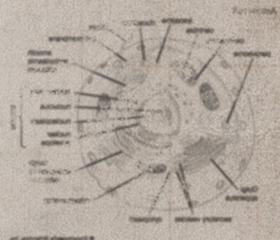
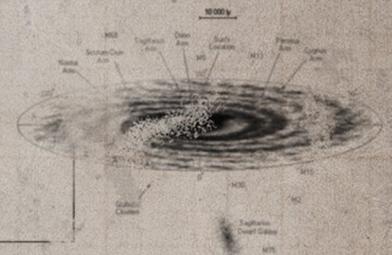
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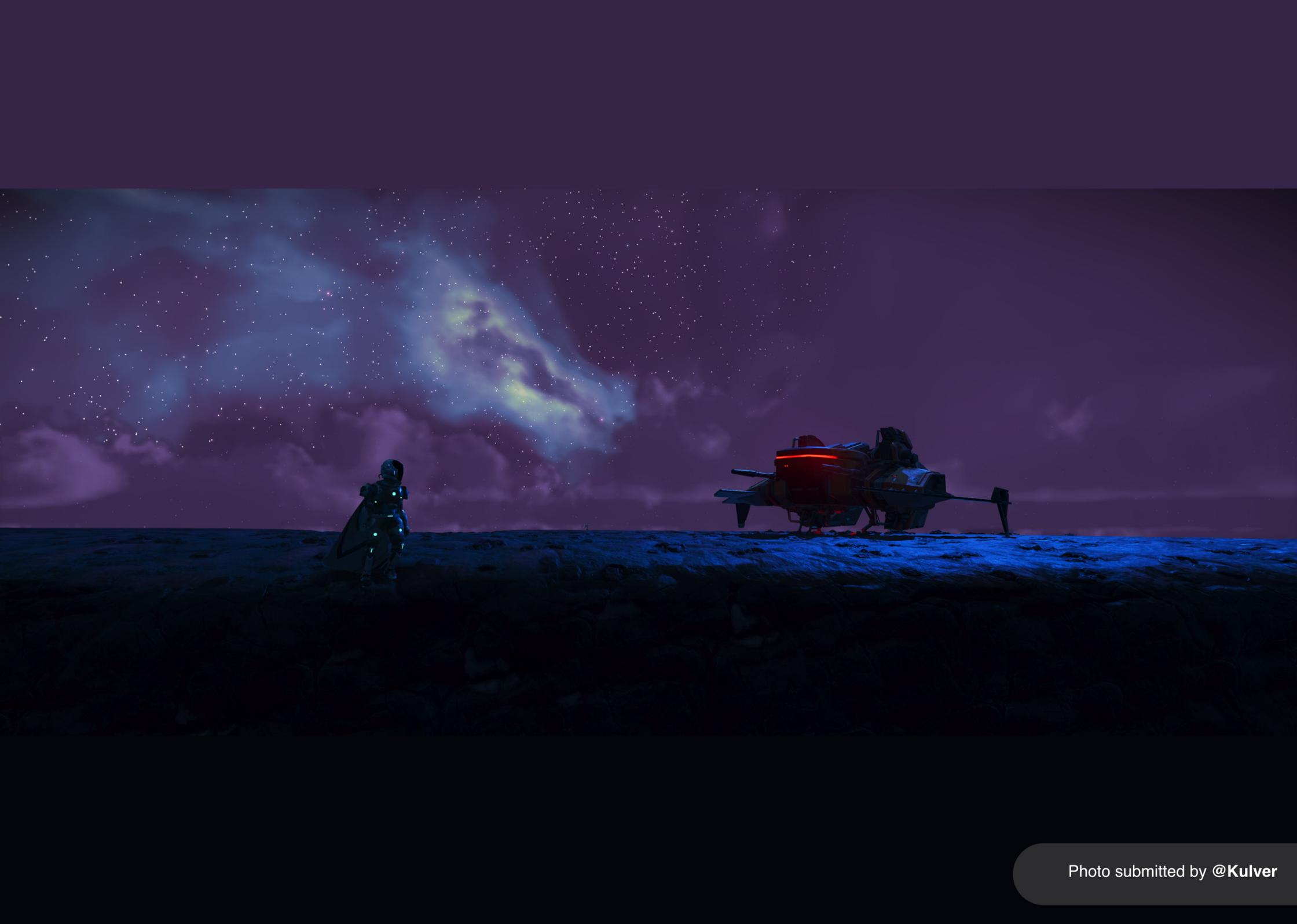


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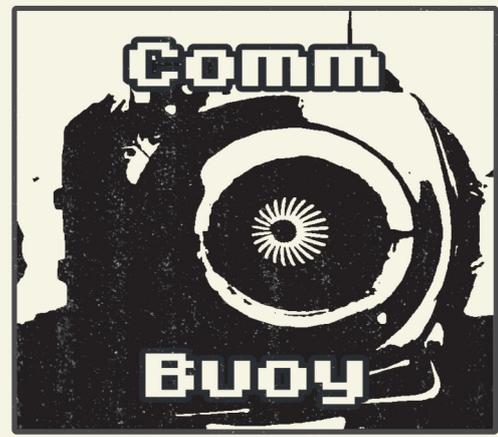


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